

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Social Security Act was signed into law by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt on August 14, 1935, establishing the beginnings of a new social insurance system that today protects families against income loss due to retirement, disability, or death of an income provider and assists in meeting some of the medical expenses of the elderly and long-term disabled; and

WHEREAS, the Social Security program is the cornerstone of economic protection on which workers can build additionally through pensions, insurance, savings, and other income towards a comfortable retirement; and

WHEREAS, over 1.2 million Hoosiers citizens receive over \$1.5 billion monthly through some type of Social Security benefits; and

WHEREAS, most people think of retirement as something far off in the distant future often leading them to think "someday I'll get around to making plans for retirement." However, at each stage of your life, my Social Security is for you. Your personal online my Social Security account is a valuable source of information beginning in your working years and continuing throughout the time you receive Social Security benefits; and

WHEREAS, opening a *my* Social Security account at www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount is safe, convenient, and secure. You can access your *Social Security Statement*, review your earnings, and get estimates of future retirement, disability, and survivor benefits you or your family may receive; and

WHEREAS, if you already receive Social Security benefits, you can use your account to manage those benefits, get an instant benefit verification letter, change your address and phone number, and start or change direct deposit of your payment.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DUKE A BENNETT, MAYOR OF TERRE HAUTE, INDIANA DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF AUGUST 17-23, 2014 TO BE

my Social Security Week

in the City of Terre Haute, in honor of the 79th anniversary of the signing of the Social Security Act.



